

PARISH TEAM

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CARLOW BINGO REMINDER

At the Youth Centre, Green Lane, on **Sunday 5th. March at 3pm.**

€10,000 in prize money. All Full House on Book - €500 / Full House on Jackpot €1,500

Full House on Raffle Game €1000 / Full House on Flyer Game €1000

6 Panel Book €5 / Double Book €10 Plus Bumper Lotto Jackpot

Don't Miss It !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2017

Led by Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin Most Rev. Denis Nulty. Pilgrimage Director: Fr. Paddy Byrne, from 16th. July - 21st. July. Cost €719 single room supplement of €150 - €175 (Limited on request) Bookings Cathedral Parish Office, College Street, Carlow
Phone 059 - 9164087

LENTEN LUNCH

You are invited to the Cathedral Parish Centre

For homemade soup and bread for the Fridays of Lent between 12noon - 2pm
Starting on **Friday 3rd. March** No charge. Donations only, towards local charity.

We are also appealing for volunteers

to donate vegetables (e.g. potatoes, carrots, celery etc) for the soup or
partake of this Friday Lunch as one of your Lenten good deeds.

TEMPERANCE SUNDAY - CONFIRMATION PLEDGE

The Sunday before Lent begins is always Temperance Sunday, a day to reflect on the importance of moderation in our attitudes and behaviour. While there's obvious emphasis on drink and drugs, it's also about food, exercise, technology and social media, even work - any area in life where we need to look at exercising greater moderation. Today is the ideal day to plan for Lent—what attitudes or behaviours do we really need to tackle? Lent gives us a fantastic opportunity to work on ourselves. Temperance works best when we act in the strength and power of the Holy Spirit, because sometimes it can be just as difficult to go it alone. So ask the Spirit of God each day to help you. Today the Candidates for Confirmation take the Confirmation pledge at the 6.15pm and 12.30 Masses as part of their preparation and commitment to Christ. The pledge is a sign that they are growing in faith and taking on a particular responsibility to witness to the virtue of moderation, particularly in displaying mature attitudes to drink and drugs. The example of these young people might encourage all of us to reflect on the example we give them through our own attitudes to drink, drugs or other substances.



CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION NEWSLETTER

**EIGHT SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
TEMPERANCE SUNDAY**

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WEEKDAY MASSES DURING LENT IN CARLOW

Cathedral:	Mon-Fri.	7.30am	10am	Sat.	10am
Askea:	Mon-Fri.	9.30am			7pm
Graiguecullen:	Mon-Sat.	10am			
Capuchin Friary:	Mon-Sat.	1pm	5.30pm-6pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Evening prayer at 6pm. Confessions 12noon -1pm and 4pm -5.30pm	

LENT 2017 - CATHEDRAL PARISH, CARLOW SOMETHING FOR EVERYDAY

MONDAYS

reflecting on the readings for Mass of the following Sunday
after 10am Mass in the Cathedral Sacristy

TUESDAYS

Stations of the Cross walking the Way of the Cross
with Christ starting 7th. March **after 10am Mass in the
Cathedral**

WEDNESDAYS

Churches Together in Lent sharing our faith as Christians,
Evening Prayer and Reflection starting 8th. March at 8pm.
Venue Methodist Church, Athy Road.

FRIDAYS

Lenten Lunch

Our community fasts during Lent - come and share our
Lenten repast starting **Friday 3rd. March** 12pm. - 2pm.
Cathedral Parish Centre.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Come, adore - a time for quiet prayer with Jesus every
Friday 7pm - 8pm. In the Cathedral

Cathedral Parish
Sunday 19th. February 2017
Dev. Fund €1546
Offertory €1130
Thanks for your support

KNOCK TO NEW YORK
pilgrimage 8th - 14th May
Knock Shrine will lead a historic pilgrimage to New York in May. Flight-only tickets are now available, price €599 (incl. taxes and charges) direct from Ireland West Airport. Full packages are also available which include flights, accommodation and itinerary. Contact Joe Walsh Tours for more information (01) 241 0800 or email: bronwyn.clinton@joewalstours.ie

PILGRIMAGES
ECHTERNACH LUXEMBOURG
to take part in the historic hopping or dancing procession of St Willibrord at Echternach. St Willibrord trained and was ordained in Co. Carlow in 690AD. The Pilgrimage is from 4th. June 2017 for 4 days. Spiritual leaders: Bishop Denis Nulty and Bishop Michael Burrows. For more information contact Tully's Travel on 059 - 9136100
KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESAN
PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES
16th. - 21st. July 2017 from €719 booking details from Joe Walsh Tours 01 - 2410810.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THE 1ST. FRIDAY
(3RD. MARCH) FROM 8AM - 9.30AM.
AND 7PM - 8PM

IF YOU WISH TO COMMIT TO SPENDING SOME TIME IN PRAYER,
PLEASE SIGN THE ROTA AT THE BACK OF THE CATHEDRAL

MASS TIMES
MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday 4th. March
6.15pm Maria Mhic Dhiarmada

Sunday 5th. March
8.30am. Maeve Mc Dermott
11am, Gemma Lawler
12.30pm Kay Slattery
7pm Bob Holmes

If you are unable to attend
PLEASE APPOINT A SUBSTITUTE
WEEKDAY MASSES - MONDAY TO FRIDAY
7.30AM AND 10AM / SATURDAY 10AM

COMMUNION FOR THE HOUSEBOUND - Any housebound person who would like a priest to visit on a regular basis please contact the Parish Centre 059 - 9164087.

FAITH RENEWAL EVENTS - The spring/summer series of Faith Renewal events at Knock Shrine includes a great mix of day retreats and enrichment workshops and a special 'Celebrating Family' day on Saturday 8th April with facilitators Fr Timothy Bartlett and Breda O'Brien. For the full programme of events, see www.knockshrine.ie/faithrenewal or email faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie

THE SAMUEL CIRCLE - is a group of young men who will meet once a month on a Sunday afternoon to explore and discern the vocation to priesthood. **"Thus should one regard us, as servants of Christ."** Are you considering following the will of God in the Priesthood? Contact Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill on 059 - 9131227 or vocations@kandle.ie www.kandlepriest.com

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Bob's Your Uncle Lotto

Numbers drawn on 19th. February 2017
7 - 22 - 25 - 31
No Jackpot Winner
7 Match 3's share €1000

Lotto Tickets available in Lotto Office across from Cathedral after Saturday evening & all Sunday Masses or at the Parish Centre. Bingo every Friday & Sunday night in the Youth Centre, Green Lane at 8.30pm. All welcome.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - on Friday 3rd. March at 8pm in Tinryland Church prepared by the women of the Phillipines. All welcome.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE - June 28th. Spiritual director, Fr. Ruairi O Domhnaill. September 20th Fr. Michael Duffy O.F.M. any Leaving Cert students wishing to travel on June pilgrimage are very welcome. For more information contact Noeleen Dunne 0599142670.

21st PIONEER NATIONAL BALL - takes place on Saturday 8th April 2017, in the Sheraton Athlone Hotel, after 6.30pm Mass in St. Mary's Church, Athlone. Tickets €30. Guest Speaker: Jim Bolger. Music by Nite Fever. For tickets/information - contact Brenda Lynch 087-6189411 or Dermot Fagan 085-7201646. There's more information on our facebook page: [Leinster Pioneers](https://www.facebook.com/LeinsterPioneers).

CENTENNIAL PILGRIM IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA - 2017 marks the one hundred anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady in Fatima, Portugal to three children, Lucia Santos and Blessed Jacinta and Francisco Martos. To mark this anniversary, the Third Orders of the Alliance of the Two Hearts (ATH) have been entrusted with pilgrim statues of Our Lady of Fatima to visit each of the continents. The European statue will visit Ireland in March and comes to Carlow Cathedral on the evening of Monday 13 March. The times are not confirmed yet, but we expect that the statue will be here at about 6-6.30. There will be Mass that evening, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and an opportunity to enrol in the Brown Scapular. Details to follow in next week's newsletter.

GUIDED PRAYER/MEDITATION - at No. 9 Old Burren Road (near Fairgreen Shopping Centre) Sessions will be held daily at 11.30am and 8pm Monday to Thursday each week. Wednesday evening at 9pm. You are welcome to come to any of these sessions. No charge. Please contact Eileen at 086 - 3194597.

CHRISTMAS PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 2017 - for 8 nights. Ex Dublin. Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem (Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Last Supper Room and Calvary), Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee. Contact James Treacy 061-921470 or 086 - 0572216

CARLOW FLOWER CLUB - will hold a teach-in with Christine Hughes (Judge, T.H.Dip, D.Dip. AOIFA) on Tuesday 28th February in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel. Great night to pick up useful tips. Visitors welcome to observe (Admission €7).

CLONFERT - Saturday 4th. March. Bus leaves Tullow Car Park at 10am via Killerig Cross, Clonsh Stores & Barrack Street, Carlow. Bring packed lunch. Reservations Lily 9151245

ACCORD - Marriage Education Facilitator
Are you interested in becoming a Marriage Education Facilitator with Ireland's leading provider of Marriage Preparation Programs? Would you like to meet couples preparing for Marriage, sharing part of their very special journey? Come along to our Information Evening on Tuesday 28th February 2017 at 8pm in St. Catherine's Community Services Centre, St. Josephs Road, Carlow. Hear about what's it like to be a facilitator and let us answer your questions about the role, training etc. You may also contact Mary, if you wish, on 059 9138738.

